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OOH,
I CAN'T
LOOK! IS
IT IN?

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C. B.'S MIRACLE

A MOST UNUSUAL STORY!
YOU'LL FIND IT HARD TO
BELIEVE UNLESS YOU'RE
A GOOD GUY WITH
A BIG HEART!

STORY BY
**CHARLES
BIRO**



CALL THE
COPS! HAVE THE
ROTTEN THIEF
ARRESTED!

YEAH!
THE CROOKED
LOUSE! PULLING
A STUNT LIKE THAT
THE DAY BEFORE
CHRISTMAS!

IT'S A LIE!
HE--HE'S INNOCENT!
HE NEVER
TOUCHED THE
MONEY!

ART BY

**HERMAN
MAUKER**

THIS IS A SORT OF CHRISTMAS CAROL! WHOEVER HOPES FOR A TURN FOR THE BETTER - WHICH IS JUST ABOUT ALL OF US - CAN TAKE A TIP FROM HARRY AND KAY! THEIR FAITH MADE LIGHT OUT OF DARKNESS! IF THERE ARE MIRACLES, THEY CERTAINLY RUN WILD AT CHRISTMAS TIME, FOR EVERYWHERE ON THAT DAY SOME MAGICAL GOODNESS COMES TO EVERYBODY! AND THERE'S A MIGHTY GOOD REASON! THAT IS THE DAY WHEN LOVE FOR YOUR FELLOW MAN SEEMS GREATEST! MAYBE THAT'S THE STUFF OF WHICH MIRACLES ARE MADE! YOU'LL SEE WHAT I MEAN WHEN YOU READ THIS STORY!

Charles Biro

I'M SO GLAD IT'S
GOING TO BE A WHITE
CHRISTMAS! AREN'T
YOU, HARRY? SOME-
HOW, SNOW PUTS
EVERYONE IN A MORE
CHRISTMAS-Y
MOOD!

IT CERTAINLY
DOES, KAY! I ONLY
WISH I HAD A WHOLE
PILE OF MONEY SO
THAT I COULD GIVE
YOU SOME EXTRA-
SPECIAL PRESENT!

YOU'RE PRESENT
ENOUGH FOR ME,
DARLING! JUST GIVE
ME A KISS FOR
CHRISTMAS AND
SAVE ANY PRESENT
MONEY TOWARD
OUR MARRIAGE!

YOU'RE
SWEET, KAY!
I'M LUCKY TO
HAVE A GIRL
LIKE YOU!

I DO HOPE THE CHRISTMAS
PARTY AT THE OFFICE IS A BIG
SUCCESS! IT SORT OF SCARES
ME TO BE IN CHARGE OF SUCH
A BIG PARTY! I ORDERED ALL
THE FOOD AND DRINKS AND
ARRANGED FOR A CATERER, SO
DON'T FORGET TO STOP AT THE
BANK AND DRAW OUT THE
PARTY MONEY!









EIGHT HUNDRED AND TEN--TWENTY---THIRTY! THERE YOU ARE, SIR! LOOKS LIKE BARRETT COMPANY IS GOING TO HAVE ONE SUPER PARTY WITH THAT MUCH TO SPEND ON IT!

YOU SAID IT! AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!



YES, SIR?



OH-ER--WILL YOU CHANGE THIS TWENTY FOR ME, PLEASE?



HEY, MISTER, YOU WOULDN'T HAPPEN TO BE DRIVING TOWARD CRAWFORD, WOULD YOU? I JUST MISSED MY BUS AND---

HOP IN! GLAD TO GIVE YOU A LIFT! THIS IS NO DAY TO BE WAITING FOR A BUS!



OKAY, BUDDY, WE'RE FAR ENOUGH OUT OF TOWN! JUST PULL THIS JUNKPILE OVER TO THE SIDE OF THE ROAD, AND BE QUICK ABOUT IT!

HEY! WHAT IS THIS?



DON'T TRY ANY FUNNY BUSINESS, PUNK, OR THIS GUN WILL GO OFF! I AIN'T FOOLING!

PLEASE--YOU'VE GOT TO LISTEN TO ME! TAKE MY MONEY, BUT DON'T TAKE THE REST OF IT--IT'S NOT MINE--IT'S---



THE MONEY IN THE ENVELOPE DOESN'T BELONG TO ME! IT'S FOR A COMPANY PARTY! PLEASE DON'T TAKE THAT! THE GUYS AT THE OFFICE HAVE BEEN SAVING FOR MONTHS--

SHUT UP AND GET OUT! C'MON-- MAKE IT SNAPPY!



I MUST GET THAT MONEY BACK! THE PARTY WILL BE A WASHOUT IF I DON'T!



WHAT LUCK! THE NORTHERN EXPRESS! BY THE TIME THAT SAP GETS TO A COP I'LL BE OUT OF THE STATE!



NO HURRY, MISTER! THE TRAIN WON'T BE PULLING OUT FOR THREE MINUTES!



THE COMMISSIONER IS A DARN GOOD EGG! THIS GOOD-WILL PARTY OF HIS IS A HONEY!

IT MAKES GOOD SENSE! BY VISITING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF ANOTHER CITY, WE'LL GET A CHANCE TO KNOW HOW THEY OPERATE. SO WE CAN HAVE A PERSONAL INTEREST IN WORKING TOGETHER!



ALL A-BOARD!

LET'S NOT TALK TOO MUCH SHOP! REMEMBER, THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE A PARTY WE'RE GOING ON!

DON'T WORRY! I'M PLANNING TO HAVE PLENTY OF FUN! NO MORE OFFICIAL POLICE BUSINESS UNTIL NOON TOMORROW!



WHEW! I THOUGHT WE'D NEVER LEAVE! NOW I CAN BREATHE EASY!



COPS! HOW'D THEY GET TIPPED OFF SO FAST? IF THEY FIND THAT DOUGH ON ME-----



GOSH! THEY'RE LOOKIN' FOR ME! GOODBYE, DOUGH! IT HURTS-BUT AT LEAST THEY CAN'T PIN ANYTHING ON ME, NOW!



Y-YOU-YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ON ME!



HUH? I DIDN'T HAVE, BUT FOR AN HONEST GUY, YOU ACT MIGHTY PECULIAR! LET ME GET A GOOD LOOK AT YOU! SAY! YOUR FACE LOOKS FAMILIAR! YOU'RE THAT CONFIDENCE MAN - LOU - LOU EVANS - WANTED BY THE JOHANNA COUNTY POLICE! HEY! MARTY! BILL, C'MERE A SEC!



YEAH--THAT'S HIM ALL RIGHT! I REMEMBER SEEING A WANTED POSTER ON HIM ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO--THAT TWITCH IN THE EYE IS A DEAD GIVEAWAY! HOW'D YOU SPOT HIM?

HE GAVE HIMSELF AWAY! TOO BAD THIS IS AN EXPRESS! WE'LL HAVE TO TAKE HIM ALONG WITH US TO DRAYTON AND LET THE DRAYTON POLICE GET CREDIT FOR BOOKING HIM!



HOW COME THIS WINDOW IS OPEN? WHAT DID YOU TOSS OUT? WERE YOU UP TO ANY CROOKED BUSINESS BACK IN OUR TOWN?

NAW--I JUST NEEDED AIR! THAT'S ALL!

IF HE DID DUMP SOME EVIDENCE, WE'LL NEVER FIND IT NOW--NOT WITH ALL THE SNOW FALLING! WHO CARES? THE JOHANNA POLICE HAVE ENOUGH ON HIM TO SEND HIM UP FOR FIVE YEARS, ANYHOW!



MY CAR! HE MUST HAVE CAUGHT A TRAIN!



---HE CAN'T HAVE HAD MORE THAN A HALF-HOUR START!

NOBODY OF THAT DESCRIPTION BOUGHT A TICKET FROM ME! BE HARD TO FIND HIM--THERE'VE BEEN THREE TRAINS OUT OF HERE IN THE PAST TWENTY MINUTES--THE NORTHERN EXPRESS--THE EAST LOCAL--AND THE WHITE RIVER JUNCTION TRAIN!

YOU'D BETTER TALK TO THE LOCAL POLICE!



YOUR DESCRIPTION ISN'T VERY DEFINITE--A TALL THIN GUY WITH A BROWN OVERCOAT AND BROWN HAT--COULD BE ONE OF A THOUSAND GUYS!

----BUT I WAS TOO UPSET TO NOTICE MUCH! GOSH, PLEASE TRY AND FIND HIM! I HAVE TO GO TO THE OFFICE NOW AND LET THEM KNOW WHAT HAPPENED! WILL YOU CALL THERE IF ANYTHING TURNS UP?



ONE CHANCE IN A MILLION OF SOLVING THAT CASE! AN INADEQUATE DESCRIPTION--NO OTHER WITNESSES--NOTHING TO WORK ON! SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO, RILEY!



HIYA, HARRY! ---MIGOSH, WHAT'S EATING YOU? WHY THE LONG FACE?

YEAH! GOSH, YOU OUGHT TO BE THE HAPPIEST GUY IN THE WORLD! KAY'S BEEN TELLING US ABOUT HOW SOME RICH OLD SANTA CLAUS GAVE YOU A NIFTY WATCH! LET'S SEE IT!



WOW! WHAT A HUNK OF JEWELRY!

THE HECK WITH THAT! I'VE GOT BAD NEWS FOR YOU FELLOWS! THE PARTY MONEY IS ALL GONE! I'VE BEEN ROBBED!



---AND THEN HE JABBED A GUN AT ME AND TOOK THE MONEY! EVERY CENT--EVEN MINE! I'VE BEEN TO THE POLICE! I'VE DONE EVERYTHING I COULD! GEE, YOU DON'T KNOW HOW I FEEL ABOUT THIS!

BUT HOW DID HE KNOW YOU HAD IT? WHY DIDN'T YOU PUT UP A FIGHT? WHY---

ALL OUR MONEY!











---AND SO OUR ONLY CLUE IS THE COAT!

I'LL BE ONLY TOO GLAD TO HELP! THE CUSTOMER IS MR. C.J. CHASE! EVERY YEAR HE PURCHASES TWENTY COATS FROM US, AND GIVES THEM AWAY AS CHRISTMAS PRESENTS TO TOTAL STRANGERS! I'M CERTAIN IF YOU GO TO HIM HE'LL GLADLY COOPERATE! I'LL GET YOU HIS ADDRESS!



I WISH TO SEE MR. CHASE, PLEASE! IT'S ABOUT A MOST IMPORTANT MATTER!

YES, SIR, STEP INSIDE, PLEASE!



NO! I NEVER SAW HER BEFORE IN MY LIFE!

OH, THAT ISN'T TRUE! IT ISN'T! YOU STOPPED HARRY AND ME IN THE PARK YESTERDAY MORNING AND GAVE US TWO PRESENTS-- A WATCH AND A COAT!



THE YOUNG MAN TO WHOM YOU GAVE THE WATCH HAS BEEN ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLING EMPLOYEES' MONEY TO BUY THE COAT AND WATCH! UNLESS HE CAN PROVE HIS STORY ABOUT THEM BEING GIFTS FROM YOU, HE'LL GO TO JAIL!

WELL--HARUMPH-- IN THAT CASE-- THE YOUNG MAN WAS TELLING THE TRUTH! I REMEMBER HIM AND THE YOUNG LADY VERY WELL! IT WAS HARDLY MY INTENTION TO GET THEM IN TROUBLE! NOW WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?



IF YOU'LL APPEAR IN COURT ON HIS BEHALF, HE'LL BE FREED! WE MUST HURRY, THOUGH-- IT'S NEARLY NOON ALREADY!

APPEAR IN COURT! OH, DEAR ME! THAT'S GOING TO RUIN EVERYTHING! THE PUBLICITY WILL MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS! THAT WAS HALF THE PLEASURE OF GIVING!



THERE ARE STILL MANY WAYS IN WHICH YOU CAN CONTINUE YOUR PHILANTHROPY!

YES, I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT! ONE THING I MUST DO IS TO MAKE UP TO THIS BOY FOR THE TROUBLE I'VE CAUSED HIM! HOW COULD ANYONE ACCUSE HIM OF BEING A THIEF? I'M SURE HIS STORY OF BEING ROBBED WAS ENTIRELY TRUE!



HIS STORY IS ABSOLUTELY TRUE, JUDGE! IF YOU WISH PROOF, HERE ARE THE SALES SLIPS FOR THE COAT AND THE WATCH!

YOUNG MAN, I OWE YOU AN APOLOGY! I HOPE YOU WILL FORGIVE THE COURT FOR HAVING DOUBTED YOUR INNOCENCE!



GOSH! IT'S WONDERFUL TO BE FREE! NOW IF ONLY I COULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE STOLEN MONEY! MR. CHASE, WOULD YOU MIND AWFULLY IF I RETURNED THE WATCH SO I COULD GIVE THE MONEY IT'S WORTH TO THE OFFICE GANGS FOR THEIR PARTY?

OH, AND MY COAT, TOO! I LOVE IT, BUT--

I HAVE A BETTER IDEA!





LOOK, HARRY, THAT ENVELOPE TIED TO THE GLOVE COMPARTMENT IS ADDRESSED TO YOU! SEE WHAT IT SAYS!



WOW! LISTEN TO THIS, KAY-DEAR HARRY, I HOPE THIS WILL MAKE UP FOR ALL THE TROUBLE MY PRESENTS CAUSED YOU! ENCLOSED IS A CHECK FOR \$1,000-A PRESENT FOR YOU AND KAY 50 THAT YOU CAN GET MARRIED! A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU BOTH-C CHASE!



I SIMPLY CAN'T BELIEVE IT! THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING TO US! MR. CHASE IS A SUPER SANTA CLAUS TO GIVE US ALL THIS!

I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE IT, MYSELF!



HEY! HEY, EVERYONE! HERE THEY ARE!



GEE, WE'RE SORRY, HARRY-PLEASE SAY YOU'LL FORGIVE US-WE MUST HAVE BEEN CRAZY TO TREAT YOU LIKE THAT!

THAT'S OKAY, FELLOWS! LET'S FORGET IT EVER HAPPENED!



FOR HE'S A JOLLY GOOD FELLOW FOR HE'S...



AND, NOW! I HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT TO MAKE! KAY AND I ARE GOING TO BE MARRIED NEXT MONTH!

HURRAY! CONGRATULATIONS!



CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH! AS A MARRIED MAN, HARRY, YOU'LL NEED A BETTER JOB! HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE MY ASSISTANT? I NEED A MAN OF CHARACTER LIKE YOU!

WHO SAYS THERE'S NO SANTA CLAUS?



JIMMY DOESN'T BELIEVE IN SANTA CLAUS!

HECK NO! THAT'S JUST A LOT OF BALONEY! THERE ISN'T ANY SANTA CLAUS!

DON'T YOU BELIEVE HIM, LITTLE GIRL! THERE IS TOO A SANTA CLAUS! WE KNOW, DON'T WE, HARRY?

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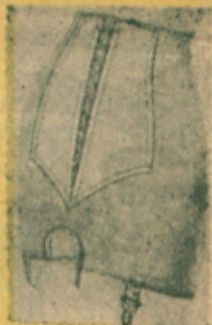
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C.B.

THE MOST HATED HOCKEY COACH
C.B. PLAYS A DANGEROUS GAME WHEN HE SEEKS THE ANSWER TO WHY SO MANY HATED A COACH IN THE WORLD'S FASTEST GAME—ICE HOCKEY!

STORY BY
CHARLES BIRO

STOP IT!
BOTH OF YOU! WHAT A DISPLAY OF BAD SPORTSMANSHIP! YOU'RE A DISGRACE TO THE GAME OF HOCKEY!

LET ME AT HIM! I'LL KILL HIM!



THERE IS A REASON FOR THE IMPORTANCE OF ATHLETICS IN AMERICAN LIFE! ATHLETIC SPORTS ARE LIKE TENDER PLANTS! GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP IS ITS SUN-FAIR PLAY, ITS FERTILE SOIL! NOWHERE IN THE WORLD ARE CONDITIONS FOR ITS HEALTHY GROWTH GREATER! GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AND PLAYING THE GAME SQUARE ARE DRILLED, POUNDED, AND SOMETIMES SLAPPED INTO ALMOST ALL AMERICAN BOYS FROM THEIR FIRST TOUCH OF A FOOTBALL! THE ONES TO WHOM MOST OF THE CREDIT BELONGS ARE AMERICA'S COACHES, ALL OF WHOM SET THE FINEST EXAMPLES FOR THEIR TEAMS BY THEIR OWN UNIMPEACHABLE BEHAVIOR! BUT, AS IN ALMOST EVERYTHING, YOU MAY FIND ONE ROTTEN APPLE IN THE BARREL! THIS IS A STORY OF ONE COACH WHO SET A BAD EXAMPLE, FOR WHICH HE PAID THE EXTREME PENALTY!

Charles Biro

ART BY

HERMAN MAURER

I HAVE GOOD NEWS FOR YOU, C. B. I'M GOING TO BE FREE FOR THE NEXT WEEK! HOW'D YOU LIKE TO GO UP TO POLAR LAKE WITH ME FOR THE WINTER SPORTS CARNIVAL?

PERFECT, LOOVER! I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING I'D LIKE MORE!

GOOD! PLAN ON MEETING ME AT THE INFORMATION DESK AT GRAND CENTRAL AT 7 TOMORROW! I'LL ARRANGE EVERYTHING!

NOW WHAT THE HECK DO YOU S'POSE IS DELAYING LOOVER? THE NORTHERN LIMITED LEAVES IN EIGHT MINUTES!





LOOVER SENT ME OVER, C.B.! A NEW CASE JUST CAME UP, AND HE WON'T BE ABLE TO LEAVE FOR A FEW DAYS! HERE'S YOUR TICKET AND HOTEL RESERVATION! HE SAID TO GO AHEAD AND HE'D JOIN YOU!



WHAT A DARN SHAME LOOVER'S VACATION HAD TO BE SPOILED! I HOPE HE'LL MAKE IT IN A DAY OR TWO!



OH, WHAT AN ADORABLE MONKEY! IS HE YOURS?
GOLLY, HE'S CUTE! WHERE ARE YOU HEADED FOR — POLAR LAKE?
THAT'S RIGHT!



I GUESS EVERYONE ON THE TRAIN IS! THE COLLEGE WINTER CARNIVAL IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST IN THE EAST—AND FROM WHAT I'VE HEARD, THIS YEAR WILL BE THE BEST YET!

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING THE ALL-STAR HOCKEY GAME!



SO AM I! THAT'S THE BIGGEST EVENT THIS YEAR! THE NORTH AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE SENDS A SCOUT EACH YEAR TO PICK OUT THE TOP PLAYER! WHOEVER IT IS HITS THE JACKPOT--A YEAR'S CONTRACT--A TRIP AROUND THE WORLD PLAYING EXHIBITION GAMES, AND PLENTY OF PUBLICITY! I'M PLAYING, BUT I DON'T EXPECT TO BE PICKED!



WHY NOT? IF YOU'VE BEEN PICKED FOR THE ALL-STAR MATCH, YOU MUST BE PRETTY GOOD!

MAYBE— BUT NOT AS GOOD AS WHITEY FENTON! THAT'S HIM OVER THERE!

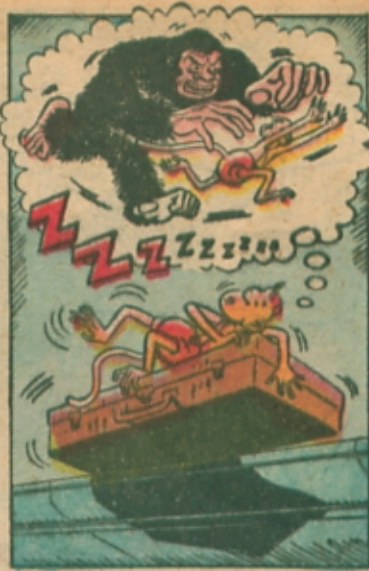


WHITEY IS PHENOMENAL! HE'S PROBABLY THE GREATEST HOCKEY PLAYER IN HISTORY! WHY, HE'D BE IN THE BIG TIME NOW IF IT WEREN'T THAT HE'S TOO YOUNG TO BE SIGNED UP! THE POLAR STAR TEAM IS A SNAP TO WIN WITH HIM IN THE LINE-UP!



LOOK— THAT'S C.B. OVER THERE! BET HE'S GOING TO THE WINTER CARNIVAL TOO! BOY, THE GIRLS SURE GO FOR HIM, DON'T THEY?

AAAAH—I THINK THEY GO FOR THE MONKEY! LOOK AT HOW THEY FALL FOR HIM! MAYBE THAT'S A SMART IDEA! I THINK I'LL GET ME A MONKEY!





I'D CERTAINLY LIKE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET HIM AND---

ARE YOU THE FELLOW THAT OWNS THAT MONKEY? IF YOU ARE, YOU'LL HAVE TO TAKE HIM TO THE BAGGAGE CAR!



NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE COACHES! I'D HAVE OVERLOOKED IT, BUT THIS GENTLEMAN COMPLAINED! HE'LL REPORT ME IF I DON'T ENFORCE THE RULES!

THAT'S OKAY! I UNDERSTAND! I'LL GO BACK IN THE BAGGAGE CAR WITH HIM!



OH, I THINK IT'S A SHAME! IT WAS ALL ACCIDENTAL! IF MY BAG HADN'T BEEN THERE, IT NEVER WOULD HAVE HAPPENED!

THAT'S ALL RIGHT! I DON'T MIND RIDING BACK THERE! AND IT HAS ITS BRIGHT SIDE! I'D NEVER HAVE MET YOU IF THIS HADN'T HAPPENED!



SHAME ON YOU, SQUEEKS! SEE WHAT YOU'VE DONE? I WOULDN'T CARE, BUT I'D PLANNED TO EAT IN THE DINING CAR! NOW I HAVE TO GO HUNGRY! FINE PAL YOU ARE!

SQUEEK SQUEEK



HELLO, THERE! CAN I INTEREST YOU IN SOME SANDWICHES AND COFFEE? I SUDDENLY REALIZED THAT YOU LOST OUT ON YOUR SUPPER BY BEING EXILED BACK HERE!

YOU'RE AN ANGEL, MISS BARROW! I'M STARVING TO DEATH!



CALL ME DIANA! AND I KNOW WHO YOU ARE! I GUESS EVERYONE DOES, C.B.! I STILL FEEL BADLY ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED!

PLEASE DON'T! WHO WAS THAT OLD GROUCH BACK THERE, ANYHOW? HE CERTAINLY WAS AN UNFORGIVING SORT OF GUY!



OH, DIDN'T YOU RECOGNIZE HIM? THAT WAS DAN GREEN, COACH FOR THE GLACIER HOCKEY TEAM AND DAD'S GREATEST RIVAL! THEY'VE BEEN RIVALS EVER SINCE THEIR BIG LEAGUE DAYS—NOW THEY'RE COACHING THE OPPOSING TEAMS FOR THE ALL-STAR GAME!



SO THAT'S WHO HE WAS! I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE, BUT I'VE HEARD **PLENTY!** THEY SAY HE'S A HOLY TERROR AS A COACH—KEEPS HIS TEAM IN LINE WITH AN IRON FIST! ONCE A PLAYER CROSSES HIM OR BREAKS THE RULES—HE'S OUT FOR GOOD!

THAT'S RIGHT! AND HE LIVES UP TO HIS REPUTATION!



RIGHT NOW I'M WORRIED! HE AND DAD HAVE BET \$20,000 ON THE GAME! DAD HAD TO MORTGAGE OUR HOUSE TO RAISE THE MONEY—IF HE LOSES, IT WILL BREAK MOTHER'S HEART! OUR HOME MEANS EVERYTHING TO HER!

BUT YOUR DAD'S TEAM IS SURE TO WIN FROM WHAT I'VE HEARD! HASN'T HE GOT WHITEY FENTON?

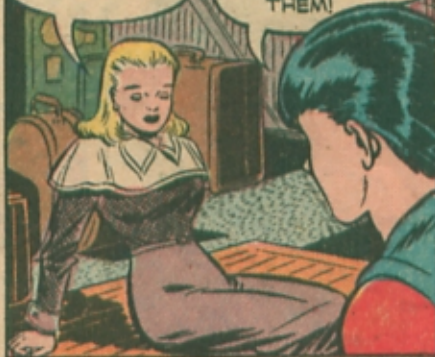
NO! THAT'S THE AWFUL PART! WHITEY CAME TO DAD A WEEK AGO, AND TOLD HIM HE'D JUST SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH A BIG EASTERN TEAM, AND THAT HE COULDN'T PLAY IN THE ALL-STAR GAME!

WOW! THAT IS A BAD BREAK, DIANA!

IT CERTAINLY IS! DAD'S PRETTY SURE THAT DAN GREEN HAD SECRET INFORMATION ABOUT THE DEAL, AND THAT'S WHY HE EGGED HIM ON TO MAKE THE BET! IT'S REALLY GOT DAD ON THE SPOT!

MAYBE YOUR FATHER CAN PERSUADE THE LEAGUE HE SIGNED UP WITH TO LET HIM PLAY THIS ONE GAME! IT WOULD BE GOOD PUBLICITY FOR THEM!

THAT'S WHAT HE'S TRYING TO DO! I HOPE IT WORKS OUT THAT WAY! IF DAD'S TEAM LOSES, WE'LL NOT ONLY LOSE OUR HOUSE, BUT HE'LL BE WASHED UP AS A COACH! YOU HAVE TO PRODUCE WINNING TEAMS OR YOU GO DOWN FAST IN THIS BUSINESS!



KNOWING DAN GREEN AS BRIEFLY AS I HAVE, I CAN SEE HE WOULDN'T CANCEL THE BET! HE'S A HARD CUSTOMER! I GUESS HE ISN'T WELL-LIKED BY ANYONE!

EVEN HIS PLAYERS DON'T LIKE HIM! HE'S MEAN, ARROGANT AND CONCEITED! I'M JUST HOPING FOR A MIRACLE!

PLEASE, COACH, WON'T YOU RECONSIDER ABOUT THE GAME? I KNOW I WAS WRONG TO MISS TRAINING LAST WEEK, BUT I WAS SICK THAT DAY!

NOT TOO SICK TO GO OUT THAT NIGHT! I SAW YOU WALKING DOWN HIGH STREET WITH A GIRL AT NINE O'CLOCK! IF YOU WERE WELL ENOUGH TO DATE A GIRL, YOU WERE WELL ENOUGH TO PRACTICE! YOU WERE PROBABLY DRUNK, BESIDES!

BUT, COACH, I CAN EXPLAIN! I WAS HUNGRY AND ALL I DID WAS GO OUT TO EAT! I MET HELEN WHILE I WAS EATING! WHEN YOU SAW US ALL I WAS DOING WAS WALKING HOME WITH HER!

SORRY, ERIC! YOU SKIPPED PRACTICE, SO YOU'RE OUT! FINISHED! TURN IN YOUR UNIFORM! YOU'RE OFF THE TEAM! AND I'M BLACKLISTING YOU! NO TEAM WILL TOUCH YOU!



YOU CAN'T DO THAT TO ME, MR. GREEN! IF I CAN PLAY IN THE ALL-STAR GAME I HAVE A CHANCE TO GET IN ONE OF THE LEAGUES! PLEASE, SIR! HOCKEY IS MY WHOLE LIFE!

IT WAS! NO TEAM WILL WANT YOU NOW! WHEN I PUT OUT THE WORD THAT YOU'RE UNRELIABLE - A MAN OF TWENTY-THREE SHOULD HAVE MORE SENSE! YOU'LL NEVER PLAY A GAME IN ANY LEAGUE!

IF YOU BLACKLIST ME, I'LL GET EVEN! I SWEAR I WILL! I'M GOING TO PLAY IN THAT ALL-STAR GAME IF IT'S THE LAST THING I DO!

OH, STOP ACTING CHILDISH, ERIC! YOU'RE LIKE A KINDERGARTEN KID VELLING "I HATE YOU" AT THE TEACHER! NOW, GET OUT OF HERE!





LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE FUN HERE, HUH, SQUEEKS? AS SOON AS I REGISTER WE'LL GO SKIING!



OH, BOY, THIS IS THE LIFE! POOR LOOVER! LOOK WHAT HE'S MISSING!



HELLO--C.B., COME ON OVER! I WANT YOU TO MEET DAD!



FATHER, THIS IS C.B. I MET HIM ON THE TRAIN COMING UP! AND THIS IS HIS MONKEY, SQUEEKS!

I'M VERY GLAD TO KNOW YOU, C.B. EXCUSE ME--HERE COMES WHITEY FENTON!



MR. BARROW, I ASKED THE MANAGER OF THE EASTERN LEAGUE IF HE WOULDN'T LET ME PLAY THIS ONE MORE GAME, BUT HE FLATLY REFUSED! HE ADMITTED THE PUBLICITY WOULD BE GOOD, BUT HE ARGUED THAT IF I WERE INJURED HIS CLUB WOULD BE HOLDING THE BAG! I'M SORRY!



I WAS AFRAID OF THAT! WELL, IT LOOKS AS IF WE'RE LICKED BEFORE WE'RE STARTED! THE WHOLE TEAM WAS BUILT UP AROUND YOU, WHITEY!

CHEER UP, DAD! YOU MAY THINK OF SOMETHING! LET'S GO HAVE LUNCH! C.B., WILL YOU COME ALONG?



I'LL NEVER FORGET THAT GAME YOU WERE IN BACK IN THE THIRTIES-- WHEN YOU SCORED THREE GOALS IN LESS THAN--

WELL--WELL-- IF IT ISN'T MY OLD FRIEND BARROW! AND IN GOOD COMPANY, TOO! EATING WITH A MONKEY!



I'LL BE MAKING A MONKEY OUT OF YOU TOMORROW AT THE GAME! YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO DOUBLE THAT LITTLE BET OF OURS, WOULD YOU? TOO BAD ABOUT WHITEY NOT BEING ABLE TO PLAY, ISN'T IT?



I CAN'T RESIST TELLING YOU! MY COUSIN HAPPENS TO BE MANAGER OF THAT CLUB, AND I TIPPED HIM OFF ABOUT WHITEY BEING OF AGE NEXT SEASON! I SUGGESTED GETTING HIM EARLY AND HOLDING HIM! SMART OF ME, HMMM?

WHY, YOU--



FATHER!
PLEASE!
OH, STOP
THEM!



I'LL TEACH YOU-
YOU CROOKED,
CONNIVING-

LET'S SEE YOU
TRY, YOU OLD
HAS-BEEN--



I'LL GET
EVEN WITH
YOU FOR THIS,
DAN! YOU'RE
NOTHING BUT
A LOW-DOWN
CROOK!

SOREHEAD!
YOU ALWAYS
WERE A BUM
LOSER!

YOU SHOULD
BOTH BE
ASHAMED OF
YOURSELVES!



AS COACHES, YOU'VE NO
RIGHT TO DISPLAY SUCH A LACK
OF SPORTSMANSHIP! YOU
SHOULD SET A GOOD EXAMPLE
FOR YOUR TEAMS! QUIT ACTING
LIKE KIDS AND SHAKE HANDS!

NEVER!

I'D RATHER
SHAKE HANDS
WITH A RATTLE-
SNAKE!



I DON'T
WANT ANY MORE
TO EAT! LET'S GO,
PLEASE! I'M TOO
EMBARRASSED
TO STAY AFTER
SUCH A
SCENE!

I'M
SORRY I
LOST MY
TEMPER,
DEAR, BUT
I CAN'T
HELP IT!
I HATE DAN
GREEN AND I
ALWAYS WILL!



IF YOU
PLEASE, SIR,
THAT TABLE IS
RESERVED!

NONSENSE!
I'M SITTING
HERE! NOW,
SCRAM,
FOOL!



I CAN'T
PERMIT IT!
THERE'S A
TABLE BACK
HERE YOU
CAN HAVE---

SHUT UP
AND GET OUT OF
HERE, YOU LITTLE
SQUIRT! NO LOUSY
TWO-BIT SERVANT
IS GOING TO TELL
ME WHERE TO SIT!
I'LL SIT WHERE
I PLEASE!



HE DARED TO
INSULT ME! HE
CALLED ME A
SERVANT-- A FOOL!
ONE OF THE BEST
HEADWAITERS IN
THE WORLD!
I'LL CARVE HIS
HEART OUT--
I'LL --

EASY!
TAKE IT
EASY, HENRI!
YOU'VE GOT
TO LEARN TO
CONTROL
THAT HOT
TEMPER OF
YOURS! YOU'LL
GET IN SERIOUS
TROUBLE SOME-
DAY--

EASTERN TELEGRAPH

WAGG 50; NEWYORK 12 522A

WILL ARRIVE AT 11 PM TONIGHT! MEET ME AT STATION! BOY, WILL I BE GLAD TO GET AWAY FROM OFFICIAL DUTIES!
--LOOVER

GOSH--WHAT TOUGH LUCK--LOOVER'S ARRIVING TOO LATE TO SEE THE BIG CARNIVAL PARADE! AT LEAST HE'LL BE HERE IN TIME FOR THE HOCKEY GAME TOMORROW!





GOOD HEAVENS! HE MUST HAVE HAD A HEART ATTACK! CALL A DOCTOR!

LET ME EXAMINE HIM FIRST!



IT'S TOO LATE! HE'S DEAD---AND NOT FROM A HEART ATTACK! THIS MAN HAS BEEN SHOT!



HELLO, POLICE DEPARTMENT? THIS IS MR. DALY OF THE POLAR HOTEL! SEND SOMEONE OVER AT ONCE! DAN GREEN HAS BEEN SHOT--- HE'S DEAD!



AT LAST! I NEVER GOT HERE! BELIEVE ME, I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO A NICE, PEACEFUL VACATION! I HOPE I DON'T HEAR THE WORD "CRIME" TILL I GO BACK ON THE JOB!

YOU'VE COME TO THE RIGHT PLACE, LOOVER!



STAND BACK, ALL OF YOU! THE INSPECTOR WILL LET YOU UP AS SOON AS HE FINISHES HIS EXAMINATION!

DAN GREEN--- MURDERED! YEAH! I GOT IT STRAIGHT FROM THE MANAGER! I'LL PHONE IN A FULL STORY AS SOON AS THEY LET US UP TO HIS ROOM!

AND I CAME HERE TO GET AWAY FROM OFFICIAL BUSINESS!



THIS IS LOOVER, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY-- AND I'M C.B.!

SEEING AS HOW IT'S YOU, I'LL LET YOU GO UP! THE INSPECTOR WILL BE GLAD TO SEE YOU! WE HAVEN'T HAD A MURDER IN TEN YEARS--HE'LL WELCOME SOME HELP!



IT'S MURDER, ALL RIGHT! HE WAS SHOT THROUGH THE CHEST BY SOMEONE OUTSIDE THAT WINDOW! WHAT BEATS ME IS THERE'S NO FINGERPRINTS ON THE WINDOW-SILL! THE KILLER WOULD HAVE TO HAVE BEEN STANDING ON A LADDER TO DO IT!



AND THAT COULDN'T BE! ANYONE ON A LADDER WOULD HAVE BEEN SEEN WITH THE WHOLE TOWN OUT FOR THE PARADE, AND IT GOING RIGHT PAST THIS WINDOW--

THAT'S IT! THE PARADE! HE MUST HAVE BEEN SHOT FROM ONE OF THOSE FLOATS!





I SAY THAT BARROW IS OUR MAN! I'VE SENT SOMEONE OVER TO PLACE HIM UNDER ARREST! IT'S OBVIOUS! HE HATED GREEN! THE BET, PLUS THE FACT THAT HE'D LOSE HIS JOB IF HIS TEAM DIDN'T WIN, DROVE HIM TO MURDER! HE'S OUR ONLY SUSPECT!

SOMEONE TO SEE YOU ABOUT THE GREEN MURDER, SIR!



AS SOON AS I HEARD ABOUT MR. GREEN I REMEMBERED HIS QUARREL WITH HENRI! HENRI IS HOT-TEMPERED AND HE CARRIES A GRUDGE! HE COULD EASILY HAVE KILLED MR. GREEN! HENRI IS A DANGEROUS MAN WHEN HE IS AROUSED!

THERE! THAT GIVES US ANOTHER SUSPECT!



I STILL INSIST ON HOLDING BARROW! IT WILL MEAN CANCELLING THE GAME THIS AFTER-NOON-BUT MURDER--

ANOTHER PARTY TO SEE YOU ABOUT THE GREEN MURDER, SIR!

THIS IS GETTING TO BE A HABIT!



I'M CAPTAIN OF DAN GREEN'S TEAM, INSPECTOR! I THOUGHT YOU OUGHT TO KNOW THAT ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE TEAM MIGHT HAVE HAD A MOTIVE FOR KILLING THE COACH! GREEN TOLD ME IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE THAT HE'D DISMISSED ERIC WALTER FROM THE SQUAD!



ERIC THREATENED HIM AND REFUSED TO TURN IN HIS EQUIPMENT! ACTUALLY, FOR ALL HIS BLUSTERING, THE COACH INTENDED TO USE ERIC IN THE GAME! IT WAS HIS WAY OF DISCIPLINE, BUT I'M AFRAID ERIC MIGHT HAVE BEEN TOO HOT-HEADED TO UNDERSTAND!

SO THAT GIVES US ANOTHER SUSPECT!



DON'T CANCEL THE GAME! GIVE ME A CHANCE TO CLEAR BARROW IN TIME TO RUN IT AS SCHEDULED! IF YOU'LL COOPERATE, I THINK I CAN! LEND ME TWO OF YOUR MEN!

I'LL BE GLAD TO DO ANYTHING TO GET THE REAL MURDERER-- BUT IF YOU HAVEN'T EVIDENCE BY TWO O'CLOCK, THE GAME WILL HAVE TO BE CALLED OFF!



YOU GO TO BARROW'S HOME--YOU GO TO ERIC WALTER'S PLACE, AND I'LL GO TO HENRI'S! LOOK THROUGH ALL THEIR CLOTHES FOR TRACES OF WHITE POWDER OR PAINT ON ANY ARTICLE OF CLOTHING! TAKE SAMPLES OF WHAT YOU FIND, AND MEET ME AT THE TOWN LAB .AS SOON AS YOU CAN!



FROM THE POLICE? THEN OF COURSE I'LL LET YOU LOOK! ONLY BE CAREFUL, I BEG YOU! HENRI IS LIKE A MADMAN WHEN HE IS ANGRY! SUCH A TEMPER! HE WOULD KILL ME FOR LETTING YOU IN!



THIS LOOKS BAD FOR HENRI! FROM HIS GENERAL REPUTATION HE'S CAPABLE OF MURDER! IF THIS SCRAPING PUTS HIM AT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME---



I COULDN'T FIND A TRACE OF ANYTHING ON BARROW'S CLOTHES, SIR!

WILL YOU BE LONG? IT'S NEARLY TWO NOW!

ONLY A MINUTE!

POLICE LABOR!



THIS IS IT! THE OTHER SAMPLE WAS FLOUR!

THEN HENRI IS IN THE CLEAR! HE PROBABLY PICKED UP THE FLOUR ON HIS CLOTHES WALKING THROUGH THE RESTAURANT KITCHEN! ERIC WALTER IS OUR MAN!



OH, I'M SO HAPPY! YOU'RE SO CLEVER! YOU'VE HAD CLEARED FATHER! HE'D BE IN JAIL IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOU!

WE'LL NEED MORE EVIDENCE TO GET A SURE CONVICTION ON ERIC! I HOPE MY SCHEME WILL MAKE HIM CONFESS!



I'M SURE YOU'LL ALL BE GLAD TO KNOW THAT THE POLICE HAVE DISCOVERED THE MURDERER OF YOUR COACH, DAN GREEN! IT IS NOT BARROW! THE POLICE HAVE AGREED NOT TO PICK UP THE MURDERER UNTIL AFTER THE GAME, BECAUSE OF HIS CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH THE MATCH! SEE YOU LATER!



CENTER-JOE WILEY-RIGHT WING-ERIC WALTER-HEY, ERIC-WHERE ARE YOU?

THAT'S FUNNY-HE WAS HERE A MINUTE AGO!



NOT SO FAST, BOY! YOU HAVE A DATE AT HEADQUARTERS!

NO! NO! YOU WON'T TAKE ME ALIVE-I'LL----



NO USE TRYING TO GET AWAY! ALL THE GATES ARE GUARDED! WE KNEW YOU'D TRY TO ESCAPE!

HE DESERVED TO DIE! I'M NOT SORRY! HE WAS OUT TO RUIN ME!



REMEMBER, BOYS, WE'RE A GOOD TEAM, BUT WE HAVE A WEAKNESS! WE'VE ALWAYS LEANED ON WHITEY FOR LEFT WING! NOW HE'S GONE, BUT YOU'LL STILL HAVE A TENDENCY TO WORK YOUR PLAYS TO HIS SIDE OUT OF HABIT!

I WISH I DIDN'T HAVE TO TAKE HIS PLACE! IT'S NOT MY STRONG SPOT!

I'VE PLAYED LEFT WING QUITE A BIT-ONLY WOULD I BE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY?



ELIGIBLE? CERTAINLY! THIS IS AN ALL-STAR TEAM! AS LONG AS YOU'VE NEVER PLAYED PROFESSIONALLY, YOU'RE ALL SET! THIS IS FINE! WE HAVE A CHANCE OF WINNING AFTER ALL! HURRY AND DRESS, C.B.!





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GOAL TENDING



SECONDARY STANCE (FRONT OR SIDE OF GOAL)



MAKING A SAVE WITH THE STICK HAND (CATCH PUCK)



THE SKATE SAVE (PUSH THE PUCK AWAY WITH THE SLIDE)



SLIDE SAVE (STOPPING THE PUCK WITH THE BODY OR ARM)

THE PUCK SHOULD BE NEAR THE "HEEL" OF THE STICK



PUSH SHOT - MADE IN FRONT OF THE BODY FROM CLOSE IN ON THE GOAL TENDER. BOTH HANDS ARE PUSHED FORWARD---

ON THE DEFENSE!



STAY WITH YOUR MAN - MAKE HIM COMMIT HIMSELF ON PLAYS---

SLAP SHOT - FACE THE PUCK - HIT THE ICE ABOUT FOUR INCHES BEHIND THE PUCK---



THE DEFENSEMAN MUST PLAY THE MAN, NOT THE PUCK!!



A GOOD DEFENSEMAN WILL GIVE OUT WITH GOOD, HARD LEGITIMATE BODYCHECKS---



LOOK UP BEFORE PASSING OR SHOOTING. LOCATE THE TARGET YOU WANT---



X - MARKS THE SPOTS OF THE MOST VULNERABLE PLACES ON THE CAGE TO SHOOT FOR!

STAMP PAGE

by *Sidney M. Elias*

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A DAREDEVIL STORY

"HEY, Scarecrow! Scarecrow!" PeeWee kicked the springs of the bunk above, where Scarecrow lay snoring. "Scarecrow!"

"Wha - a - at," Scarecrow mumbled sleepily. "Whattsa matter with you! For Pete's sake, shut up and go back to sleep! It's only 3 a.m." and he buried his head in the pillow.

"There's somebody downstairs! Listen, Scarecrow!" Pee Wee kicked the bunk springs again. Scarecrow, now fully awake, sat bolt upright. By now the sounds were louder. Someone was trying to unfasten the catch on the big doors of the barn where the four Wise Guys lived. They heard the doors being pushed open, and a few seconds later, the sound of a car being driven into the barn.

"Hey, Jock! Curley!" Quickly Pee Wee and Scarecrow awakened the others and the four boys leaned over the large trap door. The car stopped almost directly under the boys. The driver got out and cried to his companion, "Hey, Shorty! Get that door shut! Do ya want the cops in here? It's bad enough to have our tire tracks like sign posts in the snow, without you standing in the door to show 'em in."

"Aw, shut up," said Shorty, as he slammed the door and tightened the latch. "They lost us in the storm. And anyway, the tracks will be covered over in ten more minutes." The two men lighted cigarettes. "Okay, Moe, since you're so smart, tell me what we're goin' to do now! We got what we went after, but we're cut off from the gang. As soon as Langston's family discovers he's gone, the search is really gonna be hot. So start thinking, boy, we're in a spot!"

"Stop gripin' and give me a chance. They haven't got us yet - or Langston, either. We've got to go through with this deal, or we'll have more than cops on our necks. The gang will be after us, but good. They didn't put out five thousand simoleons for this snatch for nothin'. I still can't figure out what they want this guy kept alive for. It would'a been a lot easier to just bump him off!"

Up in the loft, the four Wise Guys watched, wide-eyed. Pee Wee suddenly nudged Jock. "I gotta sneeze," he whispered, "I gotta!"

"Hold your nose and stop breathing . . ." but Jock's instructions were too late.

"Pht-t-chooee-ee!" The boys ducked away from the trap door, scarcely daring to breathe.

"What th . . . What was that!" Moe swirled around, his hand on his holster. "Aw, your n-erves are gettin' the best of ya, Moe. It was a rat, or somethin'. Who'd be in an old barn at this time of night?"

A few minutes of listening apparently satisfied Moe, who snapped his fingers and said, "I've got it! Why not use *this* place as the hideout instead of the one we planned on. We can't take the car out because the cops have the license number, but I can hitch a ride into town and get hold of the gang."

"You're not leavin' me here, chum!" snarled Shorty. "I don't want to find myself at the wrong end of a double-cross. Either we both stay here, or

we both go after the gang!"

"Okay, okay! But what'll we do with Langston?" "Easy! We'll stash him away in the trunk! Even if he comes to before we get back, he won't be able to get out. And a gag will keep him quiet!"

"Sounds all right to me! We can be back here inside of an hour." He opened the back door of the car. "Come on, help me with this load. That was a pretty good sock I gave him—he's still out like a light!"

The two men dragged the bound and gagged body out of the car, while the four Wise Guys looked on in horror. "Why that's the guy who's editor of the River City News," whispered Curley. "I used to deliver newspapers for him. What'll we do?" "Sh-sh! Wait till they go," Jock warned.

"And let those guys get away?" "Sure! They'll be back," whispered Jock, "and this way we'll get the rest of the gang, too, if we can get some help here in time."

Shorty and Moe slammed the trunk shut, turned the lock, then opened the barn door. As soon as they had gone, Jock said, "Wait a minute until we're sure the coast is clear! Curley, go get the crowbar—we'll jimmy the trunk lock." The four boys dropped one by one through the trap door, onto the roof of the car and down to the ground. Ten minutes of hard work broke the trunk's lock. As they opened it up, Langston moaned. The boys quickly cut the bonds and loosened the gag, and while Pee Wee ran to get a glass of water, the other boys lifted the editor out.

"Oh-oh! Where - what happened?" Langston looked around in bewilderment. "Curley! What the dickens is this? How did I get here?"

"Take it easy, Mr. Langston," said Curley, as he then explained what had happened. ". . . and they're coming back in about an hour! What's behind all this, anyway?"

"I'm not too sure myself, Curley. All I really know is that when I got home tonight—about midnight, I guess—there was a guy waiting on the porch for me. He said he'd been waiting to see me, that he had some information for me. Then I was hit from behind, and that's the last I remember."

"Gee, Mr. Langston, what do you think they wanted to kidnap you for?" said Jock. "Ransom?"

"That's flattering my pocketbook, Jock," replied the editor. "They couldn't get much money from a newspaperman! I do have an idea what they're after, however, and that's the documents that I've gathered together for an expose on River City politics. The story is just about ready to break, and when it does . . . well, the careers of a few grafters I know of won't be worth ten cents. It's the hottest story in the history of the city!"

"Which reminds me! It's going to be plenty hot right here in a few minutes if we don't get away from here," said Scarecrow. "I sure don't want to be around when those guys get back with their gang! Let's beat it!"

"What d'ya mean, beat it?" Jock turned to Mr. Langston. "Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could

figure out a way to catch them all? It would be the chance of a lifetime! You'd really have the goods on them then."

"That's true, Jock. I'd give my eye teeth to know who's leading that gang. But we wouldn't have a chance against them. We'd better clear out while we can!"

"Gee, if there was only some way to get in touch with D.D.," said Pee Wee. "I wish we had a phone!"

Jock snapped his fingers. "I've got it! What about your ham radio set, Curley? Is that in working order? We could get in touch with an operator and tell them to phone D.D.! Shall we take a chance on it?"

"Sure!" exclaimed Curley. "I'm pretty sure it's working."

"Okay, Curley, get to work! Pee Wee, go up to the loft and keep an eye open for the gang. If they get back before Curley contacts D.D., we'll still have a chance to get away." Curley raced over to his set, put on the earphones, and started twirling the dials. "Calling CQ! Calling CQ! Come in! Come in!" As he called frantically, the others gathered around the editor. "They'll probably get back before Daredevil can get here," said Mr. Langston. "If we leave, they can follow our tracks. I think our best bet is to hide here as long as we can, and then stall them as long as possible."

"Right!" said Jock. "Hey, Curley! Any luck?"

"Not yet! Gee, I hope somebody's getting my signal!"

"Keep trying!"

As the Wise Guys and Mr. Langston waited, the tension mounted. Pee Wee sat at the window, his eyes straining toward the roadway, trying to see through the blinding snowstorm. "Calling CQ! Calling CQ!" Curley's voice reflected his frantic manipulation of the ham set. "I can't get anybody! Calling CQ! Calling CQ! Come in!"

"There's a car coming!" Pee Wee shouted. "Wait a minute! There are *two* of them! We're really outnumbered!"

Curley's voice rose excitedly. "Come in, come in—whatever you are! We need help! Can you hear me!" The set crackled and spit for a minute. "Can you hear me? I didn't get where you are. I haven't time for signals or anything. Just listen! Telephone Daredevil, Police Station, River City, U.S.A. Repeat—telephone Daredevil, Police Station, River City, U.S.A.! Tell him to bring a squad of police to the barn! Did you hear me?" Once again, static interrupted reception. There was no more time. Already the first of the cars arrived and Shorty was below, opening the barn door.

"He's in here, boss! It's a perfect hideout. You can do what you want with him here and no one will hear him. He's . . ." Then Shorty turned his flashlight on the car and caught sight of the jimmyed trunk. "What th . . .!" By this time there were eight men in the barn, led by a portly, distinguished-looking man wearing a derby. He swirled on Shorty. "Why, you no-good two-timer! What d'ya think I'm paying you for? If Langston isn't in this building. . . . Well, *you'll* get what we had in store for *him!*"

The gangsters, with guns drawn, had started to search the barn. It was a matter of minutes before they discovered the ladder to the loft, where the editor and the Wise Guys were. "Quick! Before they get up here!" whispered Langston, "Duck

under the bunks! Let them think I'm here alone!" The boys quickly hid. Langston faced the gang alone.

"We've got him, boss!"

"Bring him downstairs! I have one or two things to say—and *do*—to Mr. Langston!"

The portly man faced the editor.

"So Cyrus Bannerman—civic leader, director of the bank, council member—is the ring leader of this pretty outfit," jeered Langston. "I knew a lot about the crooked deals in River City, but I didn't know that! What a juicy story *this* will make!"

"*Would* have made!" snapped Bannerman, "If you had ever been able to use it. By the time we're through with you, Langston the only thing you'll be printing is an obituary! *Your own!* That is, unless you'll play ball with us and hand over those documents!"

Meanwhile, Pee Wee crept across the floor of the loft and peeked through the trap door. "Gee, D.D.'s just *got* to come!" He watched while Bannerman quizzed Langston, and Langston parried each question. "Come over here, fellas! We've got to do something! Bannerman's getting mad!"

"I've had enough of this, Langston!" Bannerman shouted. "Take *this* . . ."

Bannerman took a swing at Langston, just as Jock shouted, "Raise 'em up, you guys! You haven't got a chance!"

"Who's that?" Bannerman swirled in rage. "Whose up there? *Get 'em!*"

Four of the men, guns drawn, raced for the ladder. As the first one raised his head above the level of the loft floor, Scarecrow swung his baseball bat. Socko! The gunman crashed down on the others, breaking the ladder in his fall. "Come down, or we'll drill that floor like a sieve!" shouted Bannerman. "Shorty! Moe! Get up through that trap door!" As the two gunmen climbed on top of the car, Jock let go of the ropes that held the door in place. The heavy wood crashed down, pinning Shorty and Moe beneath. At the same instant, the barn door swung open! A squad of police, led by Daredevil, swarmed in!

"Raise 'em!" commanded Daredevil. "Well, what d'ya know! Bannerman! So you're the brains behind this gang!"

"Indeed not!" protested the blustering man. "I'm just . . ."

" . . . just the whole reason River City has the blackest crime record in the county!" said Langston. "Daredevil, I don't know how to thank you—and particularly the Wise Guys. Thank heavens Curley's set worked!" The Wise Guys dropped through the trap door and joined the others.

"And thank a couple of ham operators while you're at it," said Daredevil. "A guy in Quebec, who picked up Curley's call, didn't have a phone, so he relayed the message to the only guy *he* could reach on *his* set—an operator in Los Angeles! Your call for help travelled about ten thousand miles before it got to me, boys!"

As the police handcuffed Bannerman and the members of the gang, Langston turned to the Wise Guys. "This is going to be the biggest story of my life, boys, and the part you played in it will be headlined."

"Don't worry about giving us credit, Mr. Langston," said Jock. "Just clean up River City; *That's* all we want."

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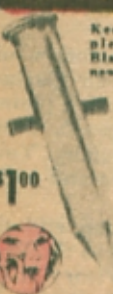
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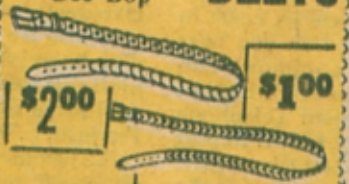
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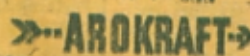


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YOUR BROTHER,
BART, HAS BEEN
KIDNAPPED! HE'S
BEING HELD FOR
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WHAT SHALL WE
DO?

IT'S A FAKE!

BART'S TRYING TO GET
\$50,000 FROM YOU
TO WIN A BET FROM
ME! DON'T PAY IT!

WHAT!

YOU MEAN YOUR
BROTHER WOULD DO
A THING LIKE THAT
TO HIS OWN
FATHER?



IN A RECENT LETTER, A READER ASKED ME WHY I MUST TEACH A LESSON IN EVERY STORY—NOT THAT HE OBJECTED TO ITS MORAL EFFECT—HE WAS JUST CURIOUS HOW COME! IT'S A PECULIAR THING, BUT NEITHER C.B. OR DAREDEVIL ARE EVER TACKLED WITH THE DESIRE TO MORALIZE, PREACH OR TEACH A LESSON! I TRY TO PORTRAY PEOPLE AS THEY REALLY ARE—TO WINDOW A SCENE FROM REAL LIFE! SINCE GREAT LESSONS ARE LEARNED FROM LIFE, IT'S ONLY NATURAL THAT MY READER FRIEND SHOULD COME TO THAT CONCLUSION! WITHOUT APOLOGY, THE MORAL LESSON IN THIS STORY IS ENTIRELY COINCIDENTAL, BUT SINCE IT'S TRUE TO LIFE, SOMEONE MAY BENEFIT FROM IT—EVEN MY CURIOUS PEN-PAL!

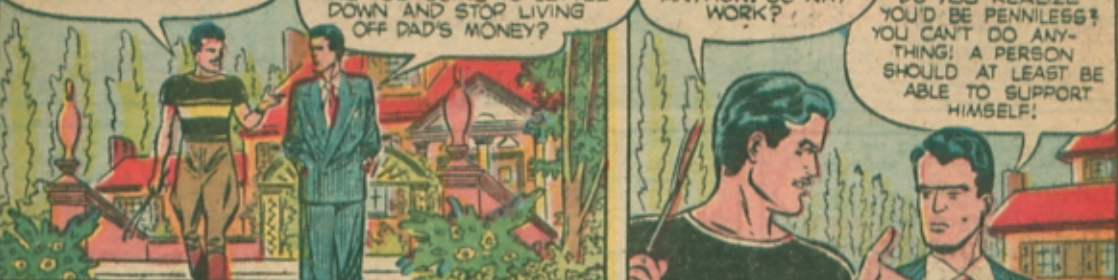
Charles Biro

IT'S TOO NICE A DAY TO BE
COOPEL UP IN AN OFFICE,
RALPH! WHY NOT COME
RIDING WITH ME?

EVERY DAY IS TOO NICE
TO WORK AS FAR AS YOU'RE
CONCERNED, BART! WHEN
ARE YOU GOING TO SETTLE
DOWN AND STOP LIVING
OFF DAD'S MONEY?

DAD HAS PLENTY!
BESIDES, IT WILL BE
OURS SOMEDAY,
ANYHOW! SO WHY
WORK?

WHAT IF SOME-
THING HAPPENED
TO THE MONEY?
DO YOU REALIZE
YOU'D BE PENNILESS?
YOU CAN'T DO ANY-
THING! A PERSON
SHOULD AT LEAST BE
ABLE TO SUPPORT
HIMSELF!



OH, I'D GET BY!
I CAN ALWAYS
LIVE BY MY WITS!
I'D PREFER THAT
ANY DAY TO GRUB-
BING AROUND
SELLING REAL
ESTATE, LIKE
YOU!

YOU
NEED SOME
AMBITION!
YOU WANT
TO MARRY
SOME DAY,
DON'T YOU?

SURE!
I'M PLANNING
TO MARRY
NANCY!

A FINE HUSBAND
YOU'D MAKE
HER! SHE NEEDS
A MORE RELIABLE
PERSON! SOME-
ONE SHE CAN
DEPEND UPON!

LIKE
YOU, I
SUPPOSE?

YES, IF YOU MUST
KNOW—LIKE ME!
AND THIS IS FAIR
WARNING, I HOPE
TO MARRY HER
MYSELF!







YAHOO--WHAT LUCK!
MY LONG SHOT CAME IN!
IS-1----I'VE GOT \$1,500!



YOU ARE MOST LUCKY, SIR!

I SURE AM! THIS IS MY LUCKY DAY--AND WHILE I'M \$2,000 AHEAD, I THINK I'LL QUIT!



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NOT BAD AT ALL FOR THE
FIRST DAY! NOW I REALLY
HAVE SOME MONEY TO
OPERATE WITH! TOMORROW
I'LL TAKE A WHIRL AT
THE STOCK MARKET!



DON'T BOTHER TRYING TO SELL ME ANY CONSERVATIVE STOCK! I'M OUT TO MAKE A PROFIT FAST! WHAT CAN I BUY THAT MAY SKYROCKET?

REALLY, SIR, IF I KNEW I'D INVEST IN IT MYSELF! ANY STOCK OF THAT TYPE IS RISKY! HOWEVER, IF YOU INSIST-- THERE ARE RUMORS THAT ROCKY MOUNTAIN OIL IS DUE FOR A SUDDEN MOVE--



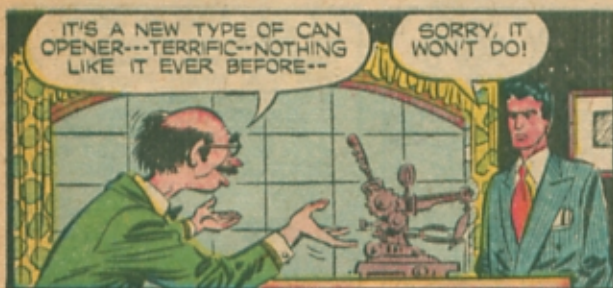
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NO! I'M IN SO DEEP NOW I MAY AS WELL STICK WITH IT!



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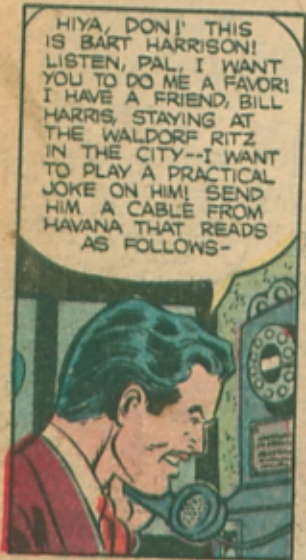
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SNAP



HIYA, DON! THIS IS BART HARRISON! LISTEN, PAL, I WANT YOU TO DO ME A FAVOR! I HAVE A FRIEND, BILL HARRIS, STAYING AT THE WALDORF RITZ IN THE CITY--I WANT TO PLAY A PRACTICAL JOKE ON HIM! SEND HIM A CABLE FROM HAVANA THAT READS AS FOLLOWS--



GOT IT?

YEP! YOU ALWAYS WERE A PRACTICAL JOKER, BART, BUT THIS BEATS EVERYTHING! I'LL GET IT OFF RIGHT AWAY!



CABLE FOR YOU, MR. HARRIS!

CABLE? HM--LET ME SEE!



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HM--I'D BETTER DROP UP AND SEE MR. HARRIS!



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WHY, THANK YOU, MR. WINTERS! AS TO YOUR SUGGESTION OF A SUITE-- I THINK IT'S A SPLENDID IDEA!



BART, MY BOY, YOU'RE A GENIUS! THE PHONY SWEEP-STAKE DODGE WORKED LIKE A CHARM! AS THE WORD GETS AROUND, MY FINANCIAL WORRIES WILL BE OVER! I WISH RALPH COULD SEE ME NOW!



A COUPLE OF BIG COMPANIES ARE INTERESTED IN YOUR INVENTION, BUT SO FAR ALL ARE HOLDING OFF UNTIL THE FIRST WINTER WEATHER TO DECIDE! I MUST FIND A BUYER BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH!

WHY THE BIG RUSH? YOU'VE DONE WONDERS SO FAR! EVEN IF IT TAKES TILL THE FIRST OF THE YEAR, WHAT DIFFERENCE WILL IT MAKE?



YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND AND I CAN'T EXPLAIN! WE MUST COLLECT ON THIS IN TWO WEEKS! I'LL GO TACKLE INTERNATIONAL AUTOS! I WON'T GIVE UP!



MY STOCK IS DOWN TO UNDER \$300, AND I'M OVER \$1,000 IN DEBT! I'VE GOT TO FIND SOME WAY TO MAKE MONEY! HM--WHAT'S THIS?



HA! ONLY A FOOL WOULD FALL FOR A DEAL LIKE THAT! THAT'S SPECIAL FOR SUCKERS! STILL--IT MAKES ME CURIOUS! JUST FOR FUN I'LL LOOK INTO IT!



MISTER, IT'S YOUR CHANCE TO BECOME A MILLIONAIRE OVERNIGHT! THE GOLD IS IN THE MINE! ALL WE NEED IS MACHINERY--

WHOA! HOLD IT RIGHT THERE, CHUM! WHAT KIND OF SUCKER DO YOU THINK I AM? YOU MUST BE CRAZY TRYING TO PULL A RACKET LIKE THIS! IF YOU WERE SMART YOU MIGHT CATCH BOOBS, BUT NOT WITH A SET-UP LIKE THIS! LOOK AT THIS DUMP OF AN OFFICE! LOOK AT YOURSELF! YOU NEED THE RIGHT FRONT YOU NEED A PUSH IN YOUR SALES TALK!



GEE, MISTER, YOU SOUND AS IF YOU COULD PUT THIS RACKET OVER! HOW ABOUT GOIN' INTO PARTNERSHIP? I'D LIKE TO TRY IT YOUR WAY!

ME-- IN A CONFIDENCE RACKET? NO, THAT'S OUT OF MY LINE! STILL, JUST FOR THE SAKE OF PROVING MY POINT... OKAY! IT'S A DEAL! ONLY GET THIS STRAIGHT-- THIS IS STRICTLY TEMPORARY!



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I'M SORRY, MR. HARRIS, I'D GLADLY SELL IT TO YOU, BUT MR. DAKIN HAS BEEN THINKING OF BUYING THE REMAINING SHARES! I HAVE TO GIVE HIM FIRST SAY!

I'LL BUY IT! HERE'S MY MONEY!

TEN DAYS LATER IN THE NEW OFFICE...



YOU'RE A GENIUS, HARRIS! WE HAVEN'T LOST A SUCKER IN TEN DAYS! YOU SURE KNOW HOW TO WORK A SMART DEAL! WHY, THEY BEG ME TO TAKE THEIR MONEY!

IT'S ALMOST TOO EASY! I'M ASHAMED TO TAKE THEIR MONEY! IF IT WEREN'T FOR CIRCUMSTANCES...

AH, NOW, DON'T START GETTING A CONSCIENCE! YOU AND I CAN GO PLACES TOGETHER! IN A COUPLE OF YEARS WE'LL BE MILLIONAIRES AT THIS RATE!

NOT SO FAST! I'M IN THIS WITH YOU FOR FIVE DAYS MORE! THEN IT'S OVER-FINISHED! AND REMEMBER, KEEP THAT LIST OF PERSONS WE'VE SOLD STOCK TO UP-TO-DATE! I WANT IT!

ONCE I WIN MY BET FROM RALPH I CAN REFUND ALL THE MONEY! IF VESSY KNEW THAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF THE LIST, HE'D THINK I WAS CRAZY!

ARE YOU TWO GENTLEMEN IN CHARGE HERE?

YES-CAN I HELP YOU?



YEAH! I'M FROM HEADQUARTERS! I WANT TO HAVE A LITTLE CHAT WITH YOU BOYS!

HEY! COME BACK-YOU!



JUST AS I FIGURED! A CROOKED RACKET! YOUR PAL GOT AWAY, BUT I STILL HAVE YOU! NOW, START TALKING!

PLEASE-LET ME EXPLAIN!



I'LL ADMIT IT'S NOT ON THE LEVEL, BUT I'VE KEPT A LIST OF EVERY CUSTOMER SO I COULD PAY THEM BACK!

WHAT? YOU EXPECT ME TO BELIEVE A CRAZY STORY LIKE THAT!



YOU MUST BELIEVE ME! LOOK, I'LL TELL YOU A SECRET! MY NAME'S NOT BILL HARRIS! IT'S BART HARRISON! I MADE A BET WITH MY BROTHER, RALPH----



----AND IF I'M ARRESTED IT WILL BREAK MY FATHER'S HEART! BESIDES, I NEVER MEANT TO KEEP THE MONEY! MY SHARE IS ALL IN THE BANK! I HAVEN'T SPENT A CENT! HERE'S MY BANK BOOK TO PROVE IT!

HM----ON OUR WAY TO HEADQUARTERS, SUPPOSING I LET YOU STOP AT THE BANK FIRST AND DRAW OUT THE MONEY! MAYBE IF YOU TURN IT OVER TO THE CHIEF HE'LL BE MORE LENIENT!



SEE, THERE IT IS--ALL MY SHARE! \$10,000! YOUR DEPARTMENT CAN REFUND IT TO THE PEOPLE ON MY LIST!

OKAY, I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO TO SQUARE THINGS FOR YOU AT HEADQUARTERS! COME ALONG!



HEY! THIS ISN'T THE WAY TO POLICE HEAD-QUARTERS!

YEAH, I KNOW!



HEY, WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA OF THAT GUN? WAIT A MINUTE— YOU'RE NO DETECTIVE!

THAT'S RIGHT, SONNY! YOU SURE FELL FOR MY LINE, THOUGH! THAT'S THE EASIEST SHAKEDOWN I EVER PULLED IN MY LIFE!



YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ME! GIVE ME BACK MY MONEY AND LET ME OUT OF HERE!

LET YOU OUT? NOT ON YOUR LIFE!— THIS TEN GRAND IS JUST PEANUTS COMPARED TO WHAT I EXPECT TO GET OUT OF YOU!



YOU'LL NEVER GET AWAY WITH THIS! YOU'VE GOT ALL MY MONEY! WHAT ELSE CAN YOU GET OUT OF ME?

YOU SAID YOUR FATHER WAS A WEALTHY OLD GUY, DIDN'T YOU? I FIGURE HE'LL BE GLAD TO KICK IN 50 GRAND WHEN HE LEARNS YOU'VE BEEN KID-NAPPED!



OKAY, NOW WRITE WHAT I SAY, YOU PUNK! REMEMBER, YOU HAVEN'T ANY CHOICE! EITHER I GET PAID OFF, OR I SPILL THIS STORY TO THE PAPERS AND YOU'LL DISGRACE YOUR FAMILY AND WIND UP IN JAIL!

I WON'T DO IT— I...



OH, YES YOU WILL, CHUM! EITHER THAT, OR I'LL SLUG YOUR HEAD OFF! THIS IS JUST A SAMPLE!



*Dad,
Am being held
for \$50,000 ransom!
Get money from bank
and hold for further
instructions. Dads
orders of \$10k be
filled— Yours son,
Bart*

THAT'S MORE LIKE IT!



NANCY, I'M SO GLAD YOU CAME RIGHT OVER! BART'S IN TERRIBLE TROUBLE— HE'S BEEN KID-NAPPED! WHAT SHALL I DO? I'LL GLADLY PAY THE RANSOM, BUT WHAT IF THEY DON'T RELEASE HIM?

YOU MUST CALL IN THE POLICE, MR. HARRISON! I'M SURE IF YOU CONTACT LOOVER DIRECTLY HE'LL FIND SOME WAY TO HELP!



LOOVER SENT ME OVER TO SEE YOU, MR. HARRISON! TELL ME EVERYTHING YOU CAN!

ALL I KNOW IS THAT BOTH OF MY SONS SAID THEY WERE GOING WEST TO VISIT FRIENDS! THIS IS THE FIRST I'VE HEARD OF EITHER OF THEM SINCE THE FIRST OF THE MONTH! THIS RANSOM NOTE NEARBY— AND IT DOESN'T MENTION RALPH!

THE FIRST THING TO DO IS TRY TO REACH RALPH! PUT AN AD IN THE PUBLIC NOTICE SECTION OF THE LEADING NEWSPAPERS ASKING HIM TO COME HOME AT ONCE! HE MAY BE ABLE TO GIVE US IMPORTANT INFORMATION, AT LEAST WE'LL FIND OUT HOW RECENTLY HE'S BEEN IN TOUCH WITH BART!



SOMETHING TERRIBLY SERIOUS MUST HAVE HAPPENED TO MAKE DAD DO THAT! I'LL HAVE TO GO AT ONCE, EVEN THOUGH THAT DEMONSTRATION AT INTERNATIONAL AUTOS IS SCHEDULED FOR TOMORROW!



RALPH, I KNEW I COULD COUNT ON YOU! SOMETHING TERRIBLE HAS HAPPENED! BART'S BEEN KIDNAPPED! HE'S BEING HELD FOR \$50,000 RANSOM!

WHAT!



WHY, THAT NO GOOD SO-AND-SO! DON'T YOU BELIEVE A WORD OF IT, DAD! IT'S NOT TRUE! ALL HE'S TRYING TO DO IS GET \$50,000 FROM YOU! WAIT TILL I TELL YOU THE STORY! WE MADE A BET...



...AND SO THAT'S HIS IDEA OF GETTING EASY MONEY!

I CAN'T BELIEVE HE'D DO SUCH A THING!

WHAT A DESPICABLE THING TO DO! —BUT HOW HORRID OF BOTH OF YOU TO PUT ME UP AS THE STAKES! EXCUSE ME, I'M LEAVING!

RALPH'S STORY CHANGES THINGS! IT SHOULD MAKE IT EASIER FOR US TO FIND BART! I SUGGEST THAT WE PUT A PICTURE OF HIM IN THE PAPERS UNDER "MISSING PERSONS"! THAT WAY, WE CAN GET SOME MORE RECENT INFORMATION ABOUT HIM!



BUT, WHAT IF HE REALLY IS KIDNAPPED? SUCH A NOTICE MIGHT ENDANGER HIM!

ORDINARILY, I'D HESITATE TO DO IT—BUT I'M INCLINED TO THINK RALPH'S THEORY IS RIGHT! I DON'T THINK IT'S TOO BIG A RISK!



WHY, THAT'S BILL HARRIS, THE CHAP WHO PULLED THAT PHONY SWEEPSTAKES TRICK ON ME!

THAT'S THE MAN WHO HELPED PULL OVER THAT SWINDLE ON ME!

IT'S HARRIS! I THOUGHT THE COPS HAD HIM IN JAIL! MAYBE I SHOULD SPILL WHAT I KNOW! IF I PHONE THEY CAN'T CATCH UP WITH ME, IN CASE IT'S A TRAP!

MISSING PERSONS

MISSING BART HARRISON

Anyone with information regarding his whereabouts contact—

J. HARRISON,
120 RIVER HILLS TERRACE

by KIMBRELL—
Last seen in
First Flight

WALTON KITZ HOTEL

THE CHRONICLE

THAT AD CERTAINLY BROUGHT RESULTS! YOUR SON HAS REALLY BEEN IN HOT WATER THIS PAST MONTH! HE RAN OUT ON HIS HOTEL BILL, AND SWINDLED DOZENS OF INVESTORS! RALPH IS PROBABLY RIGHT ABOUT HIM ENGINEERING THIS FAKE KIDNAP!

MR. HARRISON, THERE'S A MR. VESSY ON THE PHONE, WISHING TO SPEAK TO YOU!

...THE LAST I SAW OF HIM, I THOUGHT HE WAS BEING TAKEN TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS! ONLY THE GUY MUST HAVE BEEN A PHONY PULLING A SHAKEDOWN RACKET ON US! I'D TAKE THE KIDNAP NOTE SERIOUSLY IF I WERE YOU! I'M SORRY I CAN'T HELP MORE, BUT I DON'T WANT TO GET IN A JAM WITH THE COPS!

VESSY'S STORY MUST BE TRUE! THE POLICE HAD NO RECORD OF SENDING ANYONE FROM HEADQUARTERS TO INVESTIGATE THEIR BUSINESS! WE'D BETTER FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE LAST KIDNAP NOTE AND LEAVE THE MONEY AT THE PLACE THE KIDNAPPER DESCRIBED!

BUT WHAT IF THEY DON'T RELEASE HIM AFTERWARD? THE NOTE SAYS NOT TO TRY A TRAP-OR ELSE!

I HAVE A PLAN! WHEN YOU GO, TAKE SQUEEKS ALONG- WHILE YOU'RE LEAVING THE MONEY HE CAN HIDE UP IN A NEARBY TREE- NO ONE WILL NOTICE HIM, IF THEY'RE WATCHING--



RIGHT ON SCHEDULE! I GUESS I REALLY THREW A SCARE INTO THE OLD MAN! THERE'S NO SIGN OF A TRAP!



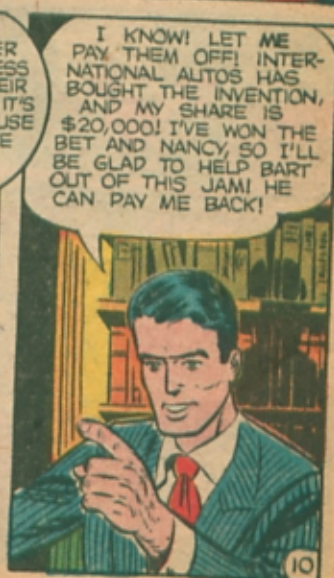
WELL, YOUR OLD MAN CAME THROUGH, SO I'M OFF! I HOPE YOU STARVE TO DEATH BEFORE ANYONE FINDS YOU!

WHAT! YOU MEAN YOU'RE GOING TO GET ME FREE? THEN WHY LEAVE ME HERE WITH MY LEGS TIED LIKE THIS?

UNTYPING THEM WILL KEEP YOU BUSY TILL I GET AWAY! HEY, WATCHA STARING AT?

HEY!

HEY, YOU! COME BACK!



BANG BANG

HIS GUN IS EMPTY!
IF I EVER HAD A
CHANCE, THIS IS IT!

CLICK
CLICK

BART!

THANK HEAVEN
YOU'RE ALL
RIGHT! WHEN
WE HEARD THE
SHOTS----

RALPH! HOW DID
YOU MANAGE TO
FIND ME?

SQUEEKS
LEFT A
TRAIL----

YOU'RE STILL IN
TROUBLE, BART! THE
HOTEL IS AFTER YOU
FOR UNPAID BILLS AND
ALL THOSE INVESTORS
YOU AND VESSY
SWINDLED ARE CLAMORING
FOR THEIR MONEY!
WHAT ARE YOU GOING
TO DO ABOUT IT?

THAT CROOK
WHO HELD ME UP
TOOK MY SHARE OF
THE MONEY--
IF YOU MAKE
HIM TELL YOU
WHERE IT IS,
THEN I COULD
PAY BACK MY
HALF!

THEY'VE
GRILLED
HIM FOR
HOURS AT
HEAD-
QUARTERS,
BUT HE WON'T
TELL WHERE
IT IS! YOU'RE
IN A SPOT!

DON'T I KNOW
IT! I'VE LEARNED
MY LESSON ABOUT
LIVING BY MY WITS!
I'D GLADLY GET A
REGULAR JOB AND
TURN OVER ALL I
GET TO PAY
EVERYONE BACK
IF THEY'D BE
PATIENT!

I'M AFRAID
THEY'LL PREFER
CHARGES UNLESS
THEY GET THEIR
MONEY NOW! IT'S
TOO BAD BECAUSE
I THINK YOU'VE
HAD ENOUGH
PUNISHMENT!

I KNOW! LET ME
PAY THEM OFF! INTER-
NATIONAL AUTOS HAS
BOUGHT THE INVENTION,
AND MY SHARE IS
\$20,000! I'VE WON THE
BET AND NANCY, SO I'LL
BE GLAD TO HELP BART
OUT OF THIS JAM! HE
CAN PAY ME BACK!



A TELEGRAM FOR YOU, SIR!

PROBABLY MORE BAD NEWS!

WOW! IT'S FROM MY BROKER! THAT STOCK I BOUGHT FINALLY SKY-ROCKETED! IT'S WORTH \$35,000! HEY! THAT MEANS I WON THE BET, AFTER ALL!



WHOA! NOT SO FAST! FIRST, DEDUCT \$20,000 YOU OWE THE INVESTORS— THEN YOUR HOTEL BILL OF OVER \$1,000! YOU STILL LOST THE BET, ALTHOUGH AT LEAST YOU WILL BE ABLE TO PAY YOUR DEBTS!

IT'S DARN SWELL OF YOU TO DO ALL YOU DID, C. B., I WON'T FORGET IT!

I'M GLAD I COULD HELP! JUST REMEMBER THIS PAST MONTH ANY-TIME YOU GET THE URGE TO TRY TO MAKE MONEY THE EASY WAY!



WELL, RALPH, YOU WIN THE BET, SO I OWE YOU CONGRATULATIONS! NANCY IS YOURS!

I'M AFRAID NOT, BOYS! NANCY JUST TELEPHONED AND LEFT A MESSAGE FOR YOU BOTH—SHE SAID NO ONE COULD WIN HER ON A BET! SHE SAID SHE WOULD PICK HER OWN HUSBAND, AND IT WOULDN'T BE EITHER OF YOU—EVER! SHE'S MARRYING DICK DREW THIS AFTERNOON!



I GUESS IT SERVES US BOTH RIGHT! NOW WE'VE BOTH LOST NANCY! BART, HOW ABOUT TEAMING UP WITH ME IN BUSINESS? WITH YOUR DARING AND MY CAUTIOUSNESS, WE'D DO WELL TOGETHER!

COUNT ME IN, BUT FORGET THE "DARING" PART! FROM NOW ON, I'M MR. "CONSERVATIVE" IN PERSON! I'M CURED OF LIVING BY MY WITS!

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CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

I want to tell you how much I like two of your comics, **BOY** and **DAREDEVIL**. These books are human, exciting, and true-to-life. I just finished reading **BOY** #49, and I think the boxing story was one of the best Charles Biro has ever written. Keep up the good work.

William Matthews
15 Seabury Street
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Calvin Wilcox
115 Mt. Vernon St.
Dedham, Mass.

I have just finished reading another **BOY Comics**, and as usual I enjoyed it immensely. All the kids in and around our block read **BOY**, **DAREDEVIL**, **CRIME DOES NOT PAY**, and **CRIME AND PUNISHMENT**. I only hope that more kids will read these books, for they teach right from wrong.

Nancy Stambaugh
321 9th Street.
Huntington Beach, Calif.

Our whole family thinks **BOY** is a wonderful magazine, and now we include it among our purchases of **CRIME DOES NOT PAY** and **CRIME AND PUNISHMENT**. All the stories are real, and mother encourages us to read them.

Boyd Gatewood
2110 Dunlavy
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Cecilia Love
1431 E. Edwards St.
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Theresa Moneta
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Bill Jansen
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Joanne Reiter
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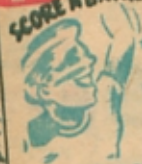


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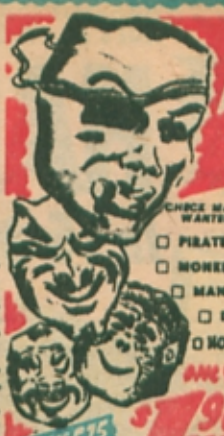


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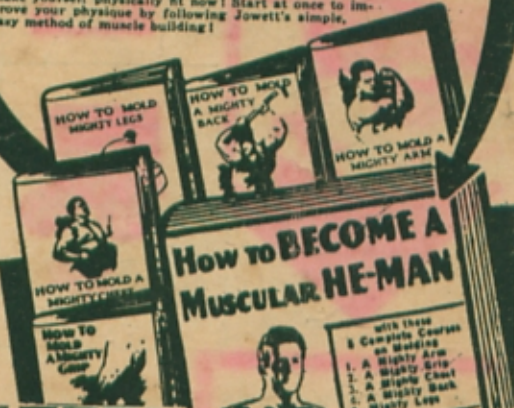
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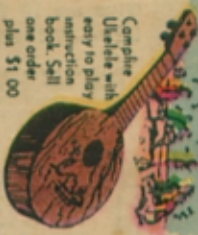
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